

## Promoting U.S. Commercial and Economic Interests



Project Title	Promoting U.S. Commercial and Economic Interests
Project Summary	Promoting U.S. commercial and economic interests is a top strategic priority. As the VSFS intern for commercial and economic interests, you will do research projects and develop promotional materials using English and French sources that will help Embassy Abidjan promote businesses.
Country	Cote d'Ivoire
Country/Region of Focus	Cote d'Ivoire

## Project Description

Embassy Abidjan's Political/Economic Section is looking for a special intern to help promote commercial and economic interests. As an intern, you will work with the Economic and Commercial Officer on various projects in the commercial and economic sphere, using mostly internet and reports provided by the Embassy to develop materials and briefing papers. Our previous intern did briefing papers, prepared a presentation for delivery by the Chief of Mission, drafted a cable, and prepared a flyer to promote our Education in the USA program.

Required skills include a good reading knowledge of French to be able to read news and technical material. The ability to use standard programs such as Excel and Powerpoint to make graphics and presentations is essential. The ability to use more advanced graphics design to make flyers is desired. Knowledge of the African economy is very useful, knowledge of the Ivoirian economy desired but not essential. Social science or business background preferred. Working towards a Masters degree useful but not required.

Interns should be organized, prompt, a good writer, and able to work independently. The supervisor will always work to accommodate the intern's academic schedule so s/he is not overburdened with tasks. Individual projects initiated by the intern are welcome and encouraged in addition to regular work assignments in order to expand the intern's horizons.

## Required Skills or Interests

Skill(s)

Analytical writing

Data analysis

Data visualization
Economic analysis
Infographic design
Research
Storytelling/blogging/vlogging
Writing

## Additional Information

We are looking for a special person willing to work on a dynamic country with opportunities to use language, develop writing and analytic skills, and help the U.S. mission to Cote d'Ivoire accomplish its mission.

## Language Requirements

Language	Speaking Proficiency	Reading Proficiency	Importance
French	Limited working proficiency	Minimum professional proficiency	Required